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## LARGE CROWD ATTENDS FLOERSHEIM DRAWING

A crowd estimated from two to three thousand people were in Roy Saturday to attend the Floersheim Drawing and Democratic barbecue. The day was windy and a regular northern gale blew all day and filled the air with dust, but the site of this fearful obstacle the town was crowded with people by 11 o'clock. All business houses report a wondrous trade and the Floersheim Mercantile Co., are more than pleased with the results of their "Second Annual Premium Giving Away Day." A present was given to everyone who registered at the store and over a thousand registered during the day.

Twenty Grand Prizes were given to those holding the lucky numbers and they were distributed all over the mesa and one prize went to Jeff McKee near Gallegos. George Ray captured first prize with number 827. The prize being a large capacity cream separator. The second prize, a set of auto tires was taken by Fred Tinker of Mosquero, while Johnnie Davis of the Brand neighborhood drew the fine bed room set and Jeff McKee of near Gallegos won the stock tank and cooker. D. M. Valdez of Kephart won the washing machine on the fifth number and Blanche Blunk won the sixth premium while Matilda Roy took the seventh and D. M. Martinez the eighth and Chas. McNeil of the Bell ranch took the ninth and E. B. Laughter of Solano was the lucky winner of the tenth prize. We did not get the names of the other ten winners but one feature of the drawing was that the prizes went to all different parts of the mesa.

The Floersheim store was crowded all day with patrons and they report an immense trade. A number of extra clerks were employed to assist the regular force in waiting on the trade.

The company has not yet decided as to whether they will put on another contest or not, but there is a probability that another drawing will be started about Christmas, and ending in the spring of 1923.

The Floersheim Company are sure believers in printer's ink and they attribute much of their immense trade to their continuous advertising and keeping before the public the fact that they are offering the public bargains at all times.

On another page we are reproducing a small cut of their fine store building which is one of the best and most substantial business blocks in northern New Mexico.

## HALLOWE'EN PARTY

A genuine Spook Party was given by Mr. and Mrs. J. Christman, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Turner and the young people of the ranch last Tuesday evening.

The guests were met by ghosts and escorted to the Christmas home which was beautifully decorated in orange and black. Here several Halloween games and pranks were indulged in.

The crowd was then led to the Turner home which had been converted into a ghost haunt with all kinds of weird and scary decorations, black cats, bats, snakes and skeletons.

In the dim light ghost stories were told after which old Mother Witch came in on her broom and presiding over the Mystic Pot told some amusing fortunes. Other mystic fortunes were given out on black paper and all the boys were told the correct name of their future wife by the Halloween Moon.

The crowd then returned to the Christmas home where the Goblins had been busy preparing Witches Brew and dainty plates of lunch decorated by Black Cats. The guests left at midnight voicing their appreciation of a jolly good time.

Eddie Voelkel came in from Kansas and will spend a few weeks visiting relatives and friends on the mesa. Mr. Voelkel has been gone from Roy about four years, but he looks the same old Ed.

## REPUBLICANS HOLD BIG MEETING AT LOGAN

Hon. Benj. F. Brown, Chairman of the County Central Committee, accompanied by his bunch of candidates and speakers returned to Mosquero Wednesday night, or rather Thursday morning, for the purpose of being present at the big county rally. They report a very interesting and enthusiastic meeting in precinct number 14, which is just this side of Logan. The crowd that gathered to listen to the speakers was so great that it could not find room inside of the building and the speakers stood in the door, speaking to the crowds that gathered in the yard and in the house. A large Quay County delegation from Logan accompanied by the brass band turned out to greet the state candidates that accompanied the party and to especially do honors to the candidates for Lieutenant Governor, Hon. E. F. Gallegos. Logan has one of the best boy scout bands to be found in this part of the state, a crowd of live awake boosters, that are able to lay aside partisan politics and get behind a man who had been able to do something for them in the past and is now about to be placed in a position where he will be able to do more in the future. Too bad that we didn't run the entire county line a couple of miles further out and take this hustling town into our county. We certainly need a few good towns with a bunch of good sports for boosters in this county.

## ROY WOOD OPERATED UPON AT PLUMLEE HOSPITAL

Roy S. Wood, owner of the R. S. Wood Motor Company who has been seriously ill for several days was operated upon last Saturday at the Plumlee Hospital for liver and intestinal troubles. He rallied after the operation which was a very serious one and for the first day or two seemed to be improving nicely but on Monday complications set in and he is in a very precarious condition at present. His father and mother of Cotton Wood Falls, Kansas, are here with him and all that medical skill can do is being done for him, and his numerous friends in and near Roy are hoping that a turn for the better will soon come and that Roy will soon be able to be out with them once more.

J. W. Johnson and wife were up from Mosquero on business the first of the week.

## WRECK BEING CLEARED

Track Opened for Traffic Monday Evening.

The serious wreck that occurred on the E. P. & S. W. near Cabeza, about 27 miles south of Roy last Wednesday evening has been partly cleared away and the track was opened to traffic Monday evening after being closed for five days. The wreck was one of the most serious ones ever encountered by the E. P. & S. W. system, and 36 cars and two locomotives were piled in a cut in a distance of less than 150 yards. The cars of coal and coke were piled, one on top of the other and 8 cars were piled in a distance of less than 100 feet. Head brakeman Cantrell who lost his life in the wreck was on the 8th car from the engine setting hand brakes on the runaway train when the train left the track and his body was not found until Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. It was found beneath a car and under several feet of coal. The head was crushed and death was instantaneous. The body was taken to Tucumcari Saturday noon and burial took place Sunday at that place. He leaves a widow and an adopted child.

Engineer Hines who was injured in the wreck died Thursday evening at the Hotel Dieu at El Paso at 4:30. Engineer Carroll and fireman Morgan who were also injured in the wreck are both able to be out of the hospital. Engineer Carroll was buried under several feet of coal but was protected by the edge of one of the wrecked cars, and altho it took several hours to extricate him, his injuries were only slight. How he escaped death is surely a miracle. Engineer Hines was also extricated from the wreck after several hours work, but he was internally injured and was unable to withstand the shock.

The two wreckers who have been working in the cut for the past five days finished their work Monday evening, for the present at least, having pulled the twisted mass of cars from the wreckage and dumped them over the embankment or pulled them out to the side of the track. Hundreds of men were employed in scooping coal out of the cut and the steam scoop was used also in digging coal from the wreck. The hundreds of tons of coal and coke are piled along the right-of-way and over the embankment of the cut grim reminders with the twisted pieces of 36 cars telling the public what will happen with a runaway train on a 2 1/2 per cent grade with numerous curves.

## DOUBLE WEDDING

Two Prominent Roy Couples Marry at Raton.

Henry Jeff Slusher and Elvie Coldiron and Ray Mitchell and Ocie Coldiron of the Pleasant View neighborhood drove to Raton on Sunday October 22 and after getting the necessary papers became men and wives.

Henry Jeff Slusher one of the grooms is the nephew of Abe Slusher and is farming the Slusher ranch northeast of town and Ray Mitchell the other groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Mitchell of east of town and at present is an employee of the Stag Canyon Fuel Co., at Dawson. Both are young men of exemplary habits and character in the neighborhood in which they live.

The brides are sisters and are the younger daughters of Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Coldiron who own a fine ranch at the top of the Albert Hill. They are accomplished young ladies and are both former students of the Roy Schools.

The young couples after a few days honeymooning up at the mountains will go to housekeeping. Mr. and Mrs. Slusher on the Abe Slusher ranch 14 miles north east of Roy and Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell will be at home in Dawson until spring when they too will be farmers on the Mitchell ranch near the old county line.

The Spanish American extends congratulations to these young folks for we know that there is in them the making of real American homes, the kind this great nation of ours needs so much today and we trust that their future pathways will be filled with flowers of joy.

Mrs. C. T. Mathews of Wagon Mound, mother of Mrs. E. J. Floersheim, is visiting in Roy this week.

## VOTERS ATTENTION

Some people who are spreading propaganda and having nothing else to do are spreading the report that if Mrs. Myra O. DeFrees is elected County Superintendent that I will be the Deputy or Clerk. This is an absolute falsehood and anyone who makes this statement is telling something they know nothing about. The County Board of Education in conjunction with the county Superintendent appoints the clerk or deputy and anyone knows that I would not even be interested in the position.

Remigio Lopez.

Thousands of people have visited the scene of the wreck the worst wreck they have ever seen in a train wreck.

## DEPEW - CAMPBELL

Chauncey DePew and Miss Vera Campbell were married last Wednesday evening at Tucumcari by Rev. Caldwell of the Presbyterian Church of that place. On the following day Mr. and Mrs. DePew drove to Roy and at which place they will be at home to their many friends on the DePew farm southeast of town.

The groom is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas DePew, old time settlers of the mesa; he was a student of the Roy schools for several years and for the past two years has been in the employ of Uncle Sam as a soldier at Ft. Bliss, having received his honorable discharge only a few months ago. Chauncey is a fine young man and will make an ideal husband for his bride.

The bride Mrs. DePew is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Campbell of Deator, Ia. and one of the accomplished young ladies of that place. We are sure that Chauncey has chosen wisely and will never regret the day when he took this young lady for his partner.

The romance which has just ended in this wedding started two years ago at Graceland College, Iowa, when these young people were students at this college and the friendship which started in school days ripened into love and marriage.

There is the making of a real home in these young people and the S. A. which will visit them weekly extends to them the best wishes for a long and happy life.

The Catholic Ladies Aid will give a Turkey Dinner and Bazaar on Thanksgiving Day. Your patronage will be appreciated.

## NEW CARRIER FOR R F D NO 1

We have been asked a number of times, "Why that smile all over Edgar Floersheim's face" and here's the answer: "It's a boy and a dandy too" just came to the Floersheim home last Saturday morning and just think, he already weighs 11 1/4 pounds. Dr. Self and Nurse Leora Hall says that Edgar is right and that you don't find them any finer than their new boy. All are doing nicely especially the mother and the babe, and Edgar, well we will leave that to the public to decide as to how he is getting along. Anyway it has leaked out that he is already teaching him how to handle mail and no doubt he too will be an employee of the postal department some day. Anyway here's congratulations. Mr. and Mrs. Floersheim and may he become another Hayes or Work.

## DEMOCRATS HAVE BIG RALLY AND BARBECUE

Large Crowd in Attendance. The Democratic Rally and Barbecue advertised to take place in Roy on last Saturday was one of the best attended affairs held in our little city for some time.

The barbecue was in charge of Chef, John Schneider assisted by Roy Day and this alone insured a fine, well prepared barbecue. Three beeves were used in the barbecue, a thousand buns several hundred loaves of bread and numerous other good things to eat. The barbecue was served in the building recently vacated by the E. J. H. Roy office, and a number of ladies served the fine barbecue to a crowd that was estimated at about 2,000 people. There was plenty of barbecue for everybody and the large crowd was appreciative of the nice manner in which it was served by the ladies.

At 3 P. M. or just after the drawing Mrs. A. L. Collins of Clayton, State organizer of Jones for Senator Club spoke to the lady voters at the Lucero Hall. A large number of ladies were out to hear Mrs. Collins, who asked the ladies to get out and vote on November 7th and told them that it was not only a privilege to vote but it was a duty to exercise their right of franchise. Mrs. Collins spoke on some of the more important phrases of the campaign and her remarks were highly appreciated by her many hearers.

At 7:30 P. M. a large crowd gathered at the Lucero Hall to hear the addresses by the various County candidates and some noted state speakers. The hall was crowded with people who had come to hear the democratic side of the campaign and they were rewarded by some excellent talks and addresses.

We will be unable to comment on the talks made by all of the different speakers, but we wish to state that the remarks made by the different candidates for county offices were to the point and were not filled with mud slinging. They simply stated what they would do and what they expected to do if they were elected to the office to which they aspired and knowing these men as we do we are sure that each was sincere in his or her remarks.

Every candidate pledged economy in office and also agreed to personally have charge of the office if they were elected, also to remember that they would be the servants of the people and not of a selected few. The candidates for County Commissioners pledged to their hearers that they would do everything in their power to keep down taxes and would object to any bond issues that were not approved by a vote of the people of the county.

A strong and forcible address was given during the evening by the Hon. H. A. Kiker of Raton who outlined the work as handled by the Democratic Party while in power from 1912 to 1920 and by the Republican Party for the past two years they have been in office. However he told his hearers if they were satisfied with the change and were pleased with the present times he advised them to vote the Republican Ticket. He also touched lightly on the tariff question, but stated that it was too deep a question for the ordinary person to thoroughly understand, but he gave a few illustrations of the effect of the present tariff as relating to the cost of certain articles. His address impressed the audience very favorably and no doubt did good for the party in this county.

Following Mr. Kiker's address Senator Zinn of Tucumcari was introduced by the chairman and for the next 45 minutes told the audience of some of the failures of the Republican Party and of some of the reforms that had been promised by the Democratic party if elected to power in the state. The present state administration was charged with neglect of duty and the recent killing at the state penitentiary was gone into thoroughly by Mr.

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### Started to think about Christmas?

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unless you are fully equipped. See our line of boots, heavy coats, wool sox, etc, before starting on that hunting trip.

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## ANOTHER CARLOAD

Of those fine potatoes, cabbage and other vegetables is here. Get your supply now.

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